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ance of colored men whose moral sense is degraded enough to carry them out, and if respectable colored men continue to prostitute whatever influence they possess to the sanction of such wanton insults to our respectable families, we shall soon not have any Republican party, but there will be found in front of somebody's house a few blackguards who will be eternal members of the can't get away club.

NO EAR FOR MUSIC.

The second number of the *Mitrailleur* has made its appearance, and as our suspicions led us to anticipate ridicule of the negro, with distorted features, physical malformation and otherwise under every possible disadvantageous and disgraceful circumstance, is to be a distinguishing characteristic of its cartoons, we meekly "accept the situation." Our admission as to the injustice and folly of such a course being unheeded, we have but to assure the conductors of that paper, that he is utterly mistaken, if he fancies that "no one but the Editor of the *Louisianian* ever dreamed" of attributing the character we did to his cartoons, and we tell him that persistence in so offensive and reprehensible a course, can not but effectually alienate our entire race from all sympathy with or respect for such a journal, and leave this "double-back-action weapon without the approval or disapproval of even the Gentleman whose cause he has so valiantly constituted himself the champion of. By the way, we see that the *Grand Era* in the following language indignantly declines to exchange with the *Mitrailleur*:

In conclusion, we have to state that we peremptorily decline to exchange with this open enemy and defamer of the black men of this State, who do not choose to affiliate or think as they do, and whose compliments to those who do, are not only coarse, but senseless, and contradictory.

Obviously, this paper could prosper without aid or countenance from "the negro," perhaps the feature so objectionable to "our kind" will be that, which will secure sufficient welcome and patronage from certain quarters to make it all that its conductors need; we therefore say no more about the cartoon.

We turn briefly to the "Captured Gun," over which the Editor, not content with so "easy" a capture, in the height of his exultation turns it upon the enemy from whom it was taken, and finds it a "very effective piece." Let us see what effect it is calculated to produce. In the first place, if it is intended as a parry of our thrust, it exhibits some little dexterity, but it also displays great obliquity of perception, in not recognizing the difference between things that possess no possible analogy, and shows that the writer, either, is attempting to dupe his readers into the belief that he has "caught us once upon the hip," or, that his logical perceptions are no keener than his "ear for music." For what can possibly differ more, than the evident animus, character, and tendency of his caricature, and of ours? His was distinctly and emphatically offensive, as built upon the basis of the practices of the "good old times" and mocked physical, inevitable characteristics of certain portions of our race. Our satire was on something evitable. His ridicule was of unrighteousness of the negro. Ours was of one of the attributes of mind. It is unnecessary to pursue such an antagonist, and he must surrender his "captured gun."

He labors hard to create the impression that we denounce to his subjecting colored men to the same or deals that white men are called on to endure. The mode in which we dealt with Mr. Burch is prompt, and ample refutation of any such ridiculous assertion. We object to *exaggerations* of characteristics growing out of a condition, which humanity is desiring and endeavoring universally to wipe out and forget; but honest, equal, criticism "harmless" or otherwise, we could not be so simple as to object to; and our whole course gives denial to our being cursed with any such narrow mindedness. We think we have said enough on this subject and quit it.

The *Atakapas Register* of July 28 has this paragraph on the political association of Lieut Governor Dunn. The placing of Dunn at the head of the opposition to Governor Warmoth is simply to bait the colored voters; and it is not a sincere movement in his interest. We deeply regret this, and hope that he may be withdrawn from his present associates, that his course may be onward and upward as a wise leader of his people.

If the Custom House thinks it can afford to encourage such outrageous proceedings, and continues to be successful in gaining the alliance of our natural political enemies, made up of mingled force, social coercion and political blackguardism, we shall cite this conduct in front of Gen. Barber's house as the most encouraging precedent with the added shame of acknowledging that the example was set by colored men against colored men.

If the Custom House thinks it

THE NEGRO'S FRIENDS.

The negro's color is a badge of his past condition, and though there may be individual members of our race who are able to escape the penalty of African descent, the effort to do so and the social agreement which allows it are altogether exceptional. In nine cases out of ten a colored man's pedigree is accessible and it is always used to his disadvantage despite the blue eyes and sandy hair he may possess.

The facts are these: The State

A BREACH OF TRUST.

There is a rumor extant that U. S. Marshal Packard intends gobbling the Republican State Convention. He seems to have concluded that his little "ring" can run the State as well as Federal offices, and has concocted a deep scheme to inveigle the representative men from all parts of the State into his power, and lock them up in his marshal's bonded warehouse.

The facts are these: The State

Committee called the Convention to meet at the Hall of the House of Representatives, Mechanics Institute, on the 9th inst., but after the Committee adjourned and dispersed, President Packard and his side devoured the hall. He dictated from the resolution the words designating the place of meeting, for the purpose of more conveniently carrying out this "gun-powder plot" which was to satisfy their dreams of power at the cost of wailing and weeping throughout the land. But the treacherous scheme is a fizzy. "The best laid plans of mice and men, gang all aglee." Stubborn members of the State Committee audaciously support the universal public opinion, that the resolution as passed, and not as manipulated and falsified by Messrs. Packard and Herwig, is the law for the guidance of the Convention!

These preocious politicians pro-

ably never read the poet Congreve's striking and applicable lines. We quote for their benefit:

Shallow artifices begot suspicion,
And like a cobweb veil but thinly shaded
The face of thy design; alone disgusting
What should have been seen—im-
perfect mischiev!

Then, like the asp, venomous and dead,

Had stung the traveler; to be dead, after,
Not his pursuing voice, e'en when thou
thought

To hide, the rustling leaves and bended
grass

Confess and point the path which thou
had crept.

O fate of fools! officious in contriv-
ing, execution, pax, lame and lost!

But, seriously. Was there ever before conceived so bold yet so stupid—so daring and so hopeless—an attempt to muzzle a free people

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ing a tax from time to time, in order to provide for the payment of the principal and interest of said bonds; provided, that whenever the City Council of Shreveport desires to use any particular patented pavement for the purposes of paving or improving the streets or any parts of the streets of said city, then the Council of said city is hereby authorized, by resolution or ordinance, to fix the price to be paid for such pavement, and to let the same under contract to the licensee or assignee of said patented pavement.

Sec. 18. Be it further enacted, etc., That all paved and unpaved streets in the city of Shreveport, shall be kept in repair by the city, and all paved banqueting shall be kept in repair by the owners of real property fronting thereon.

Sec. 19. Be it further enacted, etc., That no administrator of department or other officer of the corporation, or person in the employ of the corporation, shall be directly or indirectly interested in any work, business, or contracts which is paid or to be paid by the city or an assessment levied by the Council, nor in the purchase of any real estate belonging to the corporation, or which shall be sold for taxes or assessments, or to be the surety of any person having a work, contract or business with said city, for the performance of which security may be required, nor shall he be a surety on the official bond to be given by any other administrator of department. Any administrator offending against the provisions of this article shall be liable to both actual and exemplary damages, recoverable upon his bond, and against him and his sureties in solido, and he and they shall also be so liable to both actual and exemplary damages for any other malfeasance or corruption in office of which he may while in office be guilty, and which may be ascertained by the judgment of any court of competent civil jurisdiction in a suit upon said bond against such administrator and his sureties, in the name and on behalf of the city of Shreveport.

Sec. 20. Be it further enacted, etc., That the Council shall hold a regular meeting on some stated day of every month. Their sessions shall be public; their proceedings shall be duly recorded, and shall be published in an official journal selected by them; three members shall be requisite to constitute a quorum for doing business; no ordinance levying a tax making an appropriation over five hundred (\$500) dollars or providing for the purchasing or sale of real estate shall be passed except by the majority of the council, nor shall a final vote on the same be taken except at a regular meeting, subsequent to a previous regular meeting, at which the same shall have been introduced and passed to its second reading, and the said ordinance together with the vote on the same, and the names of the members voting yes or no, may be published in the official journal except in case of invasion, pestilence or inundation.

Be it further enacted, etc., That no administrator of department shall be qualified to take his seat or to exercise the functions of the office to which he shall have been appointed until he shall have given bonds in the sum of five thousand dollars with solvent and sufficient securities resident in the State of Louisiana for the faithful performance of his duties the solvency and sufficiency of which bond and sureties shall be determined in the manner herein to wit: That within thirty days of receiving his certificate of appointment or election, said member of Council shall appear before a judge of any court of record in this State with his bonds and sureties, and it shall be the duty of the judge of said court to examine and question under oath the sureties so offered, and the said judge shall decide as to the sufficiency and solvency of the sureties, and approve the bond so tendered. These proceedings shall have preference over all other business before the court. They shall be public, and be entered upon the minutes of the court, and the clerk shall furnish a certified copy of the same under the seal of the court, for which he shall be entitled to charge two dollars; a copy of said proceeding shall be recorded in the office of the recorder of mortgages of the parish where the bond is given, and the inscription shall operate as a judicial mortgage against all the property of the principal for the amount which he is bound.

Be it further enacted, etc., That at the first meeting of the Council, or as soon thereafter as practicable, they shall elect, *viva voce*, one of the

banks of the city as fiscal agent of Shreveport, in which shall be deposited daily by the administrator of finance, all moneys, bonds, and notes collected by him on account of the city, who shall open and keep special accounts at the Council may prescribe, and shall pay from the funds so deposited all checks which may be drawn by the administrator of the department of finance, and shall make weekly reports to the Council of the amounts deposited to the credit of said several accounts the amount paid out from each, and the balance remaining on hand. The Council may change its fiscal agent whenever the public interests warrant.

Sec. 21. Be it further enacted, etc., That all paved and unpaved streets in the city of Shreveport, shall be kept in repair by the city, and all paved banqueting shall be kept in repair by the owners of real property fronting thereon.

Sec. 22. Be it further enacted, etc.,

WALTHAM WATCHES.

THE BALANCE WHEEL

OF A.

WALTHAM WATCH

BRASS.

4 times second.

240 times a minute.

14,400 times an hour.

345,600 times a day.

29,000 times a week.

10,368,000 times a month.

126,144,000 times a year.

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THAN ANY KIND OF

IN MACHINERY.

It must not only run all day, but all night, not only on weekdays, but on Sundays and Holidays. It must run hanging up or lying down—upside down or right side up. It must keep running when the wearer sits down or stands up. When he walks or rides. In fact, it is expected to do its duty at all times, in every place and in every position.

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will fulfill all these requirements. I wound once a day, it will faithfully tick for you a hundred and twenty-six million times in a year, without even requiring fresh oil all that time.

A Genuine Waltham Watch

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5 Spring, 9 wheels, 51 screws, and 98 other

parts making altogether 136 separate pieces.

ALL GENUINE WALTHAM.

Watches have seven

Jewels.

THE EXTRA JEWELLED HAVE ELEVEN JEWEL

THE FULL JEWELLED HAVE FIFTEEN

JEWELS.

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